

**CITY OF SULTAN
SULTAN, WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION 20-08**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SULTAN, WASHINGTON
DECLARING THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS DUE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK.**

WHEREAS, On January 21, 2020, Washington's State Department of Health (WDOH) confirmed the first case of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the United States in Snohomish County, Washington, and local health departments and the WDOH have since that time worked to identify, contact, and test people in Washington who have been potentially exposed to COVID-19 in coordination with the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); and

WHEREAS, COVID-19, a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in people and can easily spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, The CDC identifies the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 both globally and in the United States as "high" and has advised that person-to-person spread of COVID-19 will continue to occur globally, including within the United States; and

WHEREAS, On January 31, 2020, US Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Azar declared a public health emergency for COVID-19, beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, The CDC currently indicates there are 179,650 confirmed cases of COVID-19 worldwide with 4,165 of those cases in the US and WDOH has confirmed localized person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in Washington, significantly increasing the risk of exposure and infection to the general public and creating an extreme public health risk that may spread quickly; and

WHEREAS, The worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and the effects of its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the US and Washington presents a significant impact to people's lives and health and is a public health disaster that affects life, health, property or the public peace; and

WHEREAS, The President of the United States declared a National emergency on March 13, 2020

WHEREAS, Governor Inslee proclaimed a statewide State of Emergency on February 29, 2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SULTAN DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. I, Russell Wiita, Mayor of the City of Sultan pursuant to RCW 38.52.020(1)(b) do hereby proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in the City of Sultan and direct the staff to implement policies and procedures to protect the citizens of Sultan.

Section 2. This declaration shall be presented to City Council at the earliest convenience of the Council for approval and ratification.

DATED this 16TH day of March 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council this 26th day of March 2020.

CITY OF SULTAN



Mayor Russell Wiita

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Tami Pevey, City Clerk